

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 442

By Matlock

A RESOLUTION to recognize David Clinton on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, David Clinton is one such estimable educator, who has served with distinction for thirty-nine years and been regarded by his colleagues as a steady force in the Loudon County Schools for almost four decades; and

WHEREAS, departing from the position of principal at Highland Park Elementary School, Mr. Clinton will be taking his much-deserved retirement at the end of the 2014–2015 school year; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Maryville College in 1974, his first job was as a teacher and football coach at Loudon High School; over the seventeen years he spent at that school, he taught in the classroom, trained and coached student-athletes, served as assistant principal, and served as principal for four and one-half years; and

WHEREAS, in order to be closer to home and have more time with his family, Mr. Clinton moved to Highland Park Elementary School, where he has spent twenty-two years of his career. At this school, David Clinton taught physical education and served as assistant principal, and his final six years have been as principal; and

WHEREAS, in every role he filled and each position he held, Principal Clinton led by focusing on teamwork and by taking the job of educating children one day at a time, believing that these principles will create a ripple effect that will positively impact teachers, staff, and students alike for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, David Clinton is the husband of Nancy Clinton, a retired third-grade teacher who enjoyed a thirty-three-year career in education. She has been his rock-solid support throughout his career, and together they have two children and two grandsons; and

WHEREAS, David Clinton exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family, education, and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Principal Clinton has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of all fortunate enough to know him; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to David Clinton our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.